

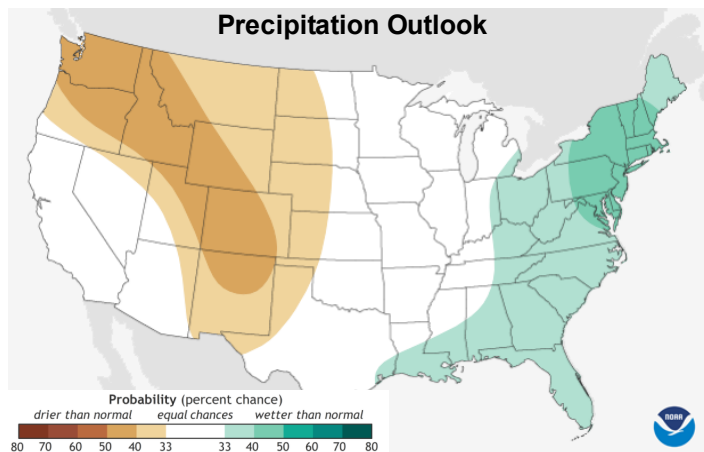
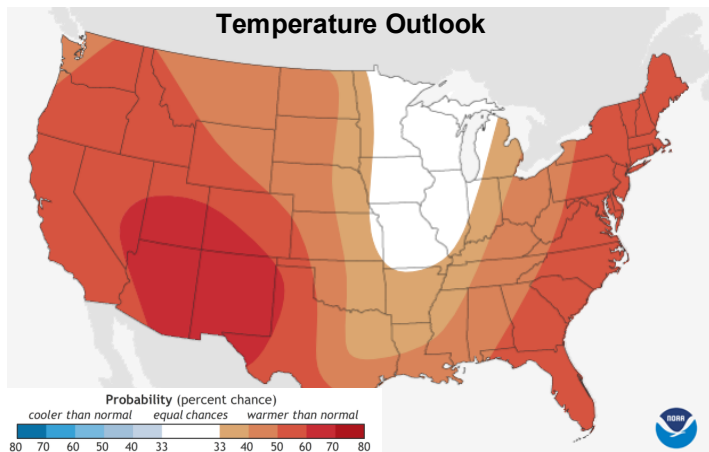


Summer Weather Preparedness

National Weather Service Springfield, Missouri



Summer 2021 Outlook - June through August



Temperatures and precipitation outlooks for this Summer are forecast to remain near average. For more information on temperature and precipitation outlooks, visit the [Climate Prediction Center](https://climatepredictioncenter.noaa.gov/).

Summer Safety Campaign



Summer Weather Safety Resources

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Heat Safety

Your Safe Place from Heat

Heat is the leading cause of weather-related deaths most years. You are generally safe indoors with the AC on, while staying hydrated. During extreme heat, stay inside and keep cool.

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Extreme heat is responsible for the highest number of annual deaths among all weather-related hazards. Extreme heat is defined as a period of high heat and humidity with temperatures above 90 degrees for at least two to three days.

Tips to keep in mind during high heat:

- Find air conditioning.
- Avoid strenuous activities.
- Wear light clothing.
- Check on family members and neighbors.
- Drink plenty of fluids.
- Watch for heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.
- Never leave people or pets in a closed car.

Heat Impacts: Vulnerable Populations

PREGNANT **NEWBORNS** **CHILDREN** **ELDERLY** **CHRONIC ILLNESS**

Everyone is at risk from the dangers of extreme heat, but these groups are more vulnerable than most. Age and certain conditions make the body less able to regulate temperature.

- NEVER leave anyone alone in a closed car
- Drink plenty of water, even if not thirsty
- Use air conditioners and stay in the shade
- Wear loose-fitting, light-colored clothing

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Heat Pet Safety

Never leave your pets in a parked car!

Safety Tips For Your Pets

- Watch the humidity
- Limit exercise on hot days
- Provide ample shade and water
- Don't rely on a fan
- Watch out for hot pavement

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Outdoor Safety

CAMPING SAFETY TIPS



FLASH FLOODING

Know Your Action

Avoid hiking in canyons
Don't camp near streams or rivers



HEAT

Know Your Action

Remain hydrated/bring extra water
Wear light, loose fitting clothing
Use sunscreen
Take breaks in shade



LIGHTNING

Know Your Action

Remain weather-ready
If you hear thunder or see lightning...
go immediately to an enclosed
building or hard-topped vehicle.
Avoid isolated tall trees or ridge tops.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Check the forecast at weather.gov
Always pack for inclement weather,
regardless of the forecast!



SAFE BOATING TIPS



HIGH WINDS/WAVES

Know Your Action

Reduce speed
Head to shore



COLD WATER

Know Your Action

Remain calm and control your breathing
Minimize time in the water
Get dry and warm ASAP



LIGHTNING

Know Your Action

Remain weather-ready
If you hear thunder, it's time to
stay in the cabin or head to shore

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Check the forecast at weather.gov
Always wear a life jacket!



Understanding Watches and Warnings

FLOOD WATCH

A Flood Watch is issued when
flooding is possible.

Stay tuned to trusted news sources
and be ready to seek higher ground.

Be Prepared.



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FLOOD WARNING

A Flood Warning is issued when
**flooding is happening or about
to happen.**

Move to higher ground immediately!
Never drive or walk through
flood waters.

Take Action!

THUNDERSTORM WATCH

A Severe Thunderstorm Watch is
issued when **a severe thunderstorm
is possible.**

Stay tuned to forecast updates,
monitor sky conditions, and know
where to take shelter.

Be Prepared.



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THUNDERSTORM WARNING

A Severe Thunderstorm Warning is
issued when **a severe thunderstorm
is happening or about to happen.**

Take shelter immediately!

Take Action!

Following the NWS and Sending Storm Reports



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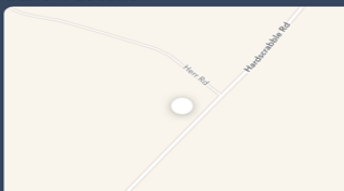
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